



CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution of Virginia in the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, there is hereby officially recognized:

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE VIRGINIA AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

WHEREAS, the American Chemical Society, which was founded in 1876, is the world's largest scientific society with more than 150,000 members; and

WHEREAS, the American Chemical Society is dedicated to the encouragement of the advancement of chemistry by promoting research, education, public communication and publication services; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Section of the American Chemical Society is comprised of more than 1,400 scientist, engineers, and educators, and has been recognized for its outstanding program of activities; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Section has been a leader in supporting science education and the chemical profession; and in promoting public awareness of chemistry and encouraging interest in the chemical sciences; and

WHEREAS, the American Chemical Society has chosen the Virginia Section as the site of the Southeast Regional Meetings and one National Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Section regularly participates in National Chemistry Week, Chemists Celebrate Earth Day, and the Chemistry Olympiad and encourages diverse groups such as younger chemists, women chemists, minorities, and student affiliates; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Section of the American Chemical Society promotes chemistry education through grants that provide seed money for grades K-12, teachers and students, by awarding annually three Excellence in Teaching Awards and by sponsoring each year the Chemistry Olympiad for high school students; and

WHEREAS, on October 24, 2015, The Virginia Section of the American Chemical Society will celebrate 100 years of improving lives through the transforming power of chemistry;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Terence R. McAuliffe, do hereby recognize October 24, 2015, as the **100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE VIRGINIA AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY** in our **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



Handwritten signature of Terence R. McAuliffe in black ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Jewell M. Taylor in black ink.

Secretary of the Commonwealth